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Applicant: Shimon Sakaguchi

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed April 30, 2002 (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. The response is initially due July 30, 2002. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.132; and

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